

NEW MEXICO CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION
WEEK ENDING JUNE 11, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Temperatures soared during the week, with daytime highs climbing to or above the century mark in several locations, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistical Service, USDA. Average temperatures ranged from 1 degree below to 12 degrees above average. Daytime highs ranged from 76 degrees at Angel Fire to 107 degrees at Acme. Overnight lows varied from 33 degrees at Angel Fire to 64 degrees at NMSU. Comments from reporters across the state indicated extremely hot temperatures coupled with limited rainfall in many areas have resulted in declining soil moisture levels and deterioration of native pastures and ranges. Lake Roberts reported the largest moisture accumulation during the week, at 1.25 inches, while Albuquerque, Farmington, Los Lunas, Moriarty, and Truth or Consequences were dry. Other rainfall totals ranged from 0.01 to 0.92 inch. Statewide, topsoil moisture levels were reported as 44 percent adequate to surplus, compared with 46 percent last week, 38 percent last year, and a 5-year average of 28 percent. As the winter wheat harvest gained speed, condition was reported as 39 percent good to excellent, compared with 47 percent last week, 43 percent last year, and a 5-year average of 23 percent. In Union County, reports suggested that approximately 35 percent of the wheat acreage has been grazed off or harvested for hay. Overall, one-third of the onion crop was harvested by week’s end, with 78 percent of the crop reported in good to excellent condition. Emergence of the chile crop was nearing completion. Reports from Dona Ana County noted that the third cutting of alfalfa hay was well underway. Hail damage in all crops was reported as 2 percent moderate and 2 percent light. Wind damage in all crops was reported as 2 percent moderate and 15 percent light. Stock water supplies were reported as 17 percent very short, 27 percent short, and 56 percent adequate.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS				
Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Alfalfa hay				
1 st cutting harvested.....	90	82	84	89
2 nd cutting harvested.....	40	29	25	35
Chile				
Emerged	94	92	95	NA
Corn				
Planted.....	90	82	90	90
Emerged	61	45	54	54
Cotton				
Planted.....	91	87	92	97
Emerged	69	49	80	NA
Onions				
Harvested.....	33	5	29	33
Peanuts				
Planted.....	74	71	72	77
Emerged	63	40	40	NA
Sorghum				
Planted.....	40	32	64	51
Emerged	10	4	22	NA
Winter wheat				
Harvested for grain.....	44	22	15	14
NA – not available				
(--) – zero				

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION				
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	6.5	6.3	6.6	6.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	15	13	10	40
Short	41	41	52	32
Adequate	43	45	33	26
Surplus	1	1	5	2
Subsoil moisture				
Very short.....	13	13	9	NA
Short	49	40	34	NA
Adequate	37	46	57	NA
Surplus	1	1	--	NA
NA – not available				
(--) – zero				

CROP, LIVESTOCK, AND PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION				
	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	2
Poor.....	8	3	4	4
Fair.....	13	15	45	35
Good	77	79	43	42
Excellent	2	3	8	17
Chile				
Very poor	--	--	3	NA
Poor.....	4	4	12	NA
Fair.....	59	57	20	NA
Good	26	26	44	NA
Excellent	11	13	21	NA
Corn				
Very poor	1	NA	--	2
Poor.....	2	NA	--	3
Fair.....	50	NA	33	36
Good	24	NA	42	36
Excellent	23	NA	25	23
Cotton				
Very poor	--	NA	2	3
Poor.....	2	NA	28	17
Fair.....	62	NA	27	31
Good	33	NA	34	32
Excellent	3	NA	9	17
Onion				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	2	--	--
Fair.....	22	25	6	22
Good	48	52	50	36
Excellent	30	21	44	42
Pasture and range condition				
Very poor	8	7	2	29
Poor.....	27	22	17	26
Fair.....	38	40	47	25
Good	23	25	31	17
Excellent	4	6	3	3
Peanuts				
Very poor	--	NA	NA	NA
Poor.....	--	NA	NA	NA
Fair.....	59	NA	NA	NA
Good	41	NA	NA	NA
Excellent	--	NA	NA	NA
Pecan				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	--	--	6	2
Fair.....	3	3	9	21
Good	89	97	48	55
Excellent	8	--	37	22
Sorghum				
Very poor	5	NA	--	17
Poor.....	10	NA	--	5
Fair.....	60	NA	87	36
Good	15	NA	13	41
Excellent	10	NA	--	1
Winter wheat				
Very poor	2	1	2	35
Poor.....	15	14	20	15
Fair.....	44	38	35	27
Good	36	45	41	15
Excellent	3	2	2	8
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	2	1	2	NA
Poor.....	3	3	3	NA
Fair.....	36	39	34	NA
Good	53	52	54	NA
Excellent	6	5	7	NA
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor	15	9	12	NA
Poor.....	15	12	11	NA
Fair.....	10	13	18	NA
Good	60	65	57	NA
Excellent	--	1	2	NA

NA – not available
 (--) – zero